

Defense Acquisition Executive



The Defense Certificate of Recognition for Acquisition Innovation

Presented to

**OUSD(AT&L) Defense Systems
Systems Engineering Directorate**

The Defense Systems Engineering Directorate made unprecedented progress against the 2004 USD(AT&L) goal for programs to conduct “Systems Integration and Engineering for Mission Success” and drove technical discipline back into acquisition programs to reduce acquisition program risk. The team provided crucial Systems Engineering and Test & Evaluation program support to more than 120 Major Defense Acquisition Programs and special interest programs in support of 93 Defense Systems and Networks and Information Integration Overarching Integrated Product Teams and 21 Defense Acquisition Boards and/or Information Technology Acquisition Boards. In addition to many other significant accomplishments, the DS Systems Engineering team instituted policies to revitalize technical discipline and rigor in the Department’s acquisition process to include documenting systems engineering approaches to development with event-driven technical reviews, and establishing key leadership systems engineering positions within each Program Executive Office or equivalent.

January 4, 2006

Date

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink, likely belonging to the Under Secretary of Defense.

Under Secretary of Defense
(Acquisition, Technology and Logistics)

